

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# Memorandum

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Division of BudgetsRef: **CALTRANS MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT**

This report presents activity for the month ending July 31, 2005. The “baseline” forecast used for comparison purposes is the cash forecast presented to the California Transportation Commission (Commission) at the April 2005 meeting. A new forecast will be presented to the Commission after adoption of the 2006 Fund Estimate.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of the cash forecast is to estimate and monitor the balance of the following funds: the State Highway Account (SHA), the Public Transportation Account (PTA), the Traffic Congestion Relief Fund (TCRF), and the Transportation Investment Fund (TIF). Cash forecasts allow the Department to determine the level of allocations that can be authorized and to prepare for low or high cash periods. Each month, reported actuals are compared to the forecast. Adjustments to the forecast methodology are necessary if the forecast begins to greatly differentiate from the actuals.

**JULY 2005 HIGHLIGHTS**

- The SHA month ending cash balance was \$131 million above forecast because the ending cash balance for 2004-05 was \$180 million above forecast.
- The PTA month ending cash balance was \$17 million above forecast. The difference was mainly due to increased sales tax receipts and lower than expected state operations expenditures.
- The TCRF month ending cash balance was \$83 million above forecast. An unexpected revenue transfer occurred and state operations expenditures were lower than forecast.

<b>July 2005 Ending Cash Balance: Actual vs. Projected</b>			
	<b>Forecast</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Difference</b>
SHA	\$470	\$601	\$131
PTA	\$200	\$217	\$17
TCRF	\$100	\$183	\$83

**2005-06 ALLOCATION PLAN**

The following chart shows the progress toward meeting the 2005-06 allocation plan. The funding capacity for all funds is \$4.152 billion. Allocations represent Commission votes, emergency project funding (G-11) and projects processed under the Department's delegated authority. Adjustments to the allocation plan may be necessary upon adoption of the 2006 Fund Estimate.

	<b>SHOPP</b>	<b>STIP</b>	<b>Tribal Gaming</b>	<b>TCRF</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>SHA</b>	1,800	400	450	0	\$2,650
<b>PTA</b>	0	64	120	0	\$184
<b>TCRF</b>	0	0	290	678	\$968
<b>TIF</b>	0	350	0	0	\$350
<b>Total, Allocation Plan</b>	<b>\$1,800</b>	<b>\$814</b>	<b>\$860</b>	<b>\$678</b>	<b>\$4,152</b>
<b>July Vote</b>	502	525	0	244	<b>\$1,271</b>
<b>August Vote</b>	210	169	0	0	<b>379</b>
<b>Total, Unallocated</b>	<b>\$1,088</b>	<b>\$120</b>	<b>\$860</b>	<b>\$434</b>	<b>\$2,502</b>

**FUNDS DISCUSSION*****State Highway Account***

The actual cash balance for July 2005 was \$131 million higher than the April 2005 forecast amount. This difference is due to the high cash balance for the year ending June 30, 2004, which was \$180 million higher than forecast and lower than expected expenditures in July 2005. The cash balance is expected to diminish as new project allocations are expended. The forecast assumptions will be updated as necessary after approval of the 2006 Fund Estimate and a new forecast will be presented to the Commission.

***Federal Trust Fund***

Approximately \$643 million of Obligation Authority (OA) remained to be obligated as of July 31, 2005, including both the State and Local share. Much of this OA was not received from the Federal Highway Administration until March 2005.

As of July 31, 2005, total Advance Construction, including Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicles (GARVEE), Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program, Local Assistance and Emergency Relief, was \$4.1 billion.

***GARVEE Projects Expenditure Report***

All GARVEE projects have been awarded. Expenditures through July 31, 2005 total \$140 million, 30 percent below the forecast amount of \$201 million. Total interest earned on the balance is \$15 million. No earned interest has been posted to date for the current fiscal year. Total interest paid is \$39 million at an interest cost of 3.03% through July 31, 2005.

***Public Transportation Account***

The actual cash balance for July 2005 was \$17 million higher than the April 2005 forecast amount. The major differences were in increased sales tax receipts, lower state operations expenditures and Transportation Revolving Account transfer amounts. Upon adoption of the 2006 Fund Estimate, methodology adjustments will be made to more closely tie together forecast and actuals.

***Traffic Congestion Relief Fund***

The adjusted ending cash balance for July 2005 was \$183 million, which was \$83 million higher than forecast. A \$20 million transfer to the SHA, expected to occur in June 2005, occurred in July 2005. Expenditures were \$7 million lower for July 2005 than forecast. The Transportation Revolving Account activity accounts for the remainder of the difference.

***Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Account***

The Department will no longer report on Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit (TBSR) Account activity. Responsibility for TBSR Program has been transferred to the Bay Area Toll Authority.

***Transportation Investment Fund***

There was no TIF activity in July 2005.